



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2413-126]

Georgia Power Company; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting
Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Application Type: Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters – Sand Mine
- b. Project No: 2413-126
- c. Date Filed: August 30, 2019, and supplemented on April 22, 2021, and April 26, 2021
- d. Applicant: Georgia Power Company (licensee)
- e. Name of Project: Wallace Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The proposed non-project sand mine is located in the northern part of Lake Oconee, the project reservoir, in Greene County, Georgia.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a - 825r
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- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: May 10, 2021.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and

contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include the docket number P-2413-126. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. **Description of Request:** On August 30, 2019, the licensee filed a request with the Commission for approval to permit a non-project use of project lands and waters to allow River Sand Incorporated to dredge an approximately 2-mile stretch of the upper project reservoir in Greene County, Georgia for the purposes of commercial sand mining. The Commission noticed the original application on October 21, 2019. On April 22 and 26, 2021, the licensee filed an amendment to their original application to provide avoidance and mitigation measures regarding cultural resources that may exist within the area. The licensee also filed a letter from the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office providing a no adverse effect call provided the prescribed measures were met. The sorting area will be located on 6 acres of privately-owned land within the project boundary that the licensee has flowage rights over. The mine operator expects the year-round operation of the sand mine will extract 5,000 to 25,000 tons of sediment per year. The operation will not be conducted on U.S. Forest Service Land.

l. **Locations of the Application:** This filing may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. **Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list** should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. **Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:** Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules

may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title “COMMENTS”, “PROTEST”, or “MOTION TO INTERVENE” as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: May 10, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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